(c) if so, Government have taken action to remove the said inefficiency?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Northern Command had directed his Chief of Staff, Lieutenant General ARK Reddy, to carry out an overall appraisal of the Kargil operations. The appraisal has been completed. It was not in the nature of an enquiry or investigation.

Such appraisals are part of an established practice in the Army and can be ordered by a formation commander with the objective of drawing lessons from an operation for the future.

It is not in public interest to divulge details of the said appraisal.

ISI Entertains IAF Personnel with Liquor

†4740. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is his reaction towards the news-item published in "Punjab Kesri" on 3rd April, 2000 under the caption "I.S.I. vayusena karmion ko sharab or shabab se rijhane lagi" and the steps Government have taken in this regard; and

(b) the details of other areas where it is active at present and the measures which have been taken to check it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Government has taken note of the reported incident which is under investigation.

There is no let up in the efforts of Pak ISI to foment troubles in various parts of the country. However, security forces and Central/State Inteligence agencies are alert and taking appropriate measures to counter the threats.

NHRC Report for 1997-98

4741. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Human Rights Commission report for 1997-98 has stressed the need for keeping the institutions of governance in state of repair and framing social and economic policies which are responsive to the rights of the most vulnerable sections of society;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.